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## Foreword

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This document was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 121, *Anaesthetic and respiratory equipment*, Subcommittee SC 1, *Breathing attachments and anaesthetic machines*.

This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 11195:1995), which has been technically revised.

The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

- scope has been amended by stating that this document applies to STAND-ALONE GAS MIXERS intended for mixing oxygen with another gas for medical use and that it excludes STAND-ALONE GAS MIXERS connected to an oxygen concentrator;
- definitions have been updated;
- requirements on ESSENTIAL PERFORMANCE have been identified;
- gas outlet connector has been specified for STAND-ALONE GAS MIXERS with an integral flow control;
- requirements for gas supply inlet pressure have been added;
- requirements on ALARM CONDITIONS have been amended;
- requirements on reverse gas flow have been amended;
- requirements on gas supply failure have been restructured and amended;
- requirements on marking and ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTS have been amended.

## Introduction

This document specifies basic requirements for STAND-ALONE GAS MIXERS intended for medical use. A known hazard associated with the use of STAND-ALONE GAS MIXERS is the reverse flow of gas from one gas inlet to another, resulting in the contamination of one gas supply system with another gas and the delivery of an incorrect gas mixture that can cause PATIENT injury. As a consequence of this hazard, particular attention has been paid in this document to minimizing reverse flow. It is recognized that innovations in design which offer performance advantages and yet may conflict with specific design aspects of this document may appear. Such innovations are not to be discouraged. If techniques and technologies advance beyond those in current usage, they should nevertheless meet the safety and performance requirements given in this document. If these techniques and technologies differ significantly from those specified, this document may be amended or revised to encompass them.

Rationales for some of the requirements of this document are given in [Annex A](#). Such requirements are indicated by the asterisk (\*) after the clause number in the main text.

In this document, the following print types are used:

- requirements, compliance with which can be verified, and definitions: roman type;
- notes and examples: smaller roman type;
- *test methods: italic type*;
- TERMS DEFINED IN THIS DOCUMENT: SMALL CAPS.

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# Gas mixers for medical use — Stand-alone gas mixers

## 1 Scope

This document specifies requirements for the performance and safety of STAND-ALONE GAS MIXERS intended for mixing oxygen with another gas for medical use.

This document does not apply to:

- a) blocks of flowmeters with separate controls for the flow of each gas;
- b) STAND-ALONE GAS MIXERS which mix oxygen with ambient air;
- c) STAND-ALONE GAS MIXERS with more than two different gas inlets;
- d) STAND-ALONE GAS MIXERS connected to an oxygen concentrator.

## 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 5359:2014, *Anaesthetic and respiratory equipment — Low-pressure hose assemblies for use with medical gases*

ISO 7396-1, *Medical gas pipeline systems — Part 1: Pipeline systems for compressed medical gases and vacuum*

ISO 9170-1, *Terminal units for medical gas pipeline systems — Part 1: Terminal units for use with compressed medical gases and vacuum*

ISO 10524-1, *Pressure regulators for use with medical gases — Part 1: Pressure regulators and pressure regulators with flow-metering devices*

ISO 11114-3, *Gas cylinders — Compatibility of cylinder and valve materials with gas contents — Part 3: Autogenous ignition test for non-metallic materials in oxygen atmosphere*

ISO 14971:2012<sup>1)</sup>, *Medical devices — Application of risk management to medical devices*

ISO 15001, *Anaesthetic and respiratory equipment — Compatibility with oxygen*

IEC 60601-1:2012<sup>2)</sup>+Amd 1:2012, *Medical electrical equipment — Part 1: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance*

IEC 60601-1-8:2006<sup>3)</sup>+Amd 1:2012, *Medical electrical equipment — Part 1-8: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance — Collateral standard: General requirements, tests and guidance for alarm systems in medical electrical equipment and medical electrical systems*

EN 13544-2:2002, *Respiratory therapy equipment — Part 2: Tubing and connectors*

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1) Under revision.

2) A consolidated edition, IEC 60601-1:2012, which includes IEC 60601-1:2005 and its amendment (IEC 60601-1:2005/Amd 1:2012) is available.

3) A consolidated edition, IEC 60601-1-8:2006, which includes IEC 60601-1-8:2006 and its amendment (IEC 60601-1-8:2006/Amd 1:2012) is available.